House File 355

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- 1 Amend House File 355 as follows:
- 2 l. Page 2, after line 21 by inserting:
- 3 <Sec. . Section 476.6, Code 2019, is amended by adding
- 4 the following new subsection:
- 5 NEW SUBSECTION. 22. Public utility meters customer
- 6 choice.
- 7 a. (1) A rate-regulated public utility shall not install a
- 8 digital meter or smart meter at a customer's residence or place
- 9 of business on or after July 1, 2019, without first providing
- 10 the customer with educational information regarding the
- 11 full scope of the digital meter or smart meter's functioning
- 12 and effects, including but not limited to health and safety
- 13 warnings, and the opportunity to consent to the installation
- 14 or refuse such consent by electing to keep or receive an
- 15 electromechanical analog meter instead of the digital meter or
- 16 smart meter.
- 17 (2) A rate-regulated public utility shall offer to replace
- 18 a digital meter or smart meter with an electromechanical analog
- 19 meter free of charge and at any time upon a customer's request.
- 20 (3) A rate-regulated public utility shall not offer to
- 21 provide or provide discounted rates to customers in exchange
- 22 for obtaining the customer's consent to install a digital meter
- 23 or smart meter, and shall not charge a fee, assessment, or
- 24 higher rate to any customer choosing not to consent to the
- 25 installation of a digital meter or smart meter, or requesting
- 26 the replacement of a digital meter or smart meter with an
- 27 electromechanical analog meter.
- 28 (4) The board shall adopt rules to implement this
- 29 subsection.
- 30 b. For purposes of this subsection:
- 31 (1) "Digital meter" means a public utility meter which uses
- 32 electronic components and produces conducted emissions.
- 33 (2) "Electromechanical analog meter" means a public
- 34 utility meter which is purely electric and mechanical, uses
- 35 no electronic components, has no radio frequency or conducted

- 1 emissions, and is not upgraded to function as a digital meter 2 or smart meter.
- (3) "Smart meter" means an advanced metering infrastructure
- 4 device which uses radio or other wireless means for two-way
- 5 communication between the device and a public utility, an
- 6 advanced meter reading device using radio or other wireless
- 7 means for one-way communication between the device and a public
- 8 utility, or any public utility meter that emits wireless
- 9 radiofrequency electromagnetic radiation or requires a direct
- 10 current to operate.>
- 11 2. By renumbering as necessary.

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